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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of: Munoz et al.

Serial No. 09/316,725

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For: A METHOD OF DETERMINING
TASK COSTS FOR ACTIVITY
BASED COSTING MODELS

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REPLY BRIEF

This reply is in response to the Examiner's Answer mailed April 19, 2005. Please consider the following remarks.

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Independent claims 1 and 28 both recite *inter alia*:

said human operator using an operator independent method of task time measurement based on independently timing each motion in a procession of motions required to perform said healthcare task without timing from a beginning of said healthcare task to an end of said healthcare task a human performing said healthcare task;

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